

BERRIES

Blueberries: The 2004 season was a good year for Washington blueberry growers. Blueberries rose in acreage and yields from 2003. There were 2,400 acres harvested in 2004, up 200 acres from 2003. Utilized production was 18.0 million pounds, up 36 percent from 2003. However, growers saw the average price slip to 88.9 cents per pound.

Cranberries: Cranberry growers harvested 1,700 acres in 2004, the same as 2003. Yield per acre averaged 100 barrels, which was 11 percent less than the previous year. Cranberry production in Washington then fell 11 percent from last year, and the value of Washington's cranberry crop, at \$6.57 million, was slightly above the 2003 value of \$6.69 million. The average price rose 3.4 cents per pound in 2004 to 38.6 cents per pound.

Red Raspberries: Harvested acres in 2004 were 9,000, down 200 acres from 2003. Yields, at an average 6,700 pounds per acre, was 8 percent less than in 2003. Utilized production, at 60.3 million pounds, decreased 6.9 million pounds from the previous year. Prices rose to 77.3 cents per pound in 2004 from 54.4 cents in 2003. The total value of Washington's red raspberry crop stood at \$46.6 million, the highest level since 1999.

Strawberries: Washington harvested acreage in 2004 was 1,900, up 100 acres from 2003. Yield per acre averaged 8,000 pounds. Growers saw prices dip in 2004 to 47.8 cents per pound, 4.3 cents below 2003. Value of production fell from \$8.4 million in 2003 to \$7.3 million in 2004.

Berries: Acreage, Yield and Production, by Counties, Washington, 2003-2004

Crop and County	2003			2004		
	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Utilized Production	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Utilized Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
BLUEBERRIES						
Clark	290	5,800	1,682,000	300	5,000	1,500,000
Lewis	190	5,200	988,000	200	6,000	1,200,000
Skagit	600	7,200	4,320,000	700	8,000	5,600,000
Thurston	120	6,025	723,000	120	7,000	840,000
Whatcom	730	6,000	4,380,000	880	9,000	7,920,000
Other Counties ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2,200	6,000	13,200,000	2,400	7,500	18,000,000
RED RASPBERRIES						
Clark	800	4,000	3,200,000	700	5,000	3,500,000
Cowlitz	400	4,400	1,760,000	500	4,000	2,000,000
Pierce	100	4,000	400,000	200	4,000	800,000
Skagit	1,400	5,800	8,120,000	1,500	5,500	8,250,000
Whatcom	6,300	8,400	52,920,000	6,100	7,500	45,750,000
Other Counties ¹	0	0	0			
TOTAL	9,200	7,300	67,200,000	9,000	6,700	60,300,000
STRAWBERRIES						
Clark	330	7,500	2,475,000	320	9,000	2,880,000
Pierce	100	6,020	602,000	120	6,510	781,000
Skagit	590	11,000	6,490,000	710	8,500	6,035,000
Whatcom	330	12,000	3,960,000	350	10,000	3,500,000
Other Counties ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1,800	9,000	16,200,000	1,900	8,000	15,200,000

¹ Other counties is a combination of counties that cannot be published.

Berries: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value, Washington, 1995-2004

Crop/ Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value Per Bearing Acre
		Yield Per Acre ¹	Total	Utilized			
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>Cents/Lb.</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
BLUEBERRIES							
1995	1,400	4,500	6,600	6,300	49.1	3,096	2,211
1996	1,300	6,300	8,690	8,190	68.9	5,639	4,338
1997	1,300	6,700	8,710	8,710	89.2	7,769	5,976
1998	1,500	7,000	10,700	10,500	62.5	6,565	4,377
1999	1,600	6,800	11,080	10,880	72.0	7,833	4,896
2000	1,700	7,300	12,410	12,410	75.5	9,364	5,508
2001	2,000	7,500	15,550	15,000	77.9	11,688	5,844
2002	2,100	6,500	13,650	13,650	71.4	9,741	4,639
2003	2,200	6,000	13,200	13,200	91.4	12,068	5,485
2004	2,400	7,500	18,000	18,000	88.9	16,000	6,667
CRANBERRIES							
1995	1,500	11,800	17,700	17,700	49.6	8,779	5,853
1996	1,500	12,000	18,000	18,000	61.0	10,980	7,320
1997	1,500	11,000	16,500	16,500	55.7	9,191	6,127
1998	1,600	10,500	16,800	16,800	25.0	4,200	2,625
1999	1,600	9,190	14,700	14,700	11.8	1,737	1,086
2000	1,500	12,000	18,000	16,500	22.3	3,679	2,453
2001	1,600	8,880	14,200	13,600	28.2	3,838	2,399
2002	1,700	9,820	16,700	16,000	36.0	5,758	3,387
2003	1,700	11,180	19,000	19,000	35.2	6,691	3,936
2004	1,700	10,000	17,000	17,000	38.6	6,568	3,864
RED RASPBERRIES							
1995	5,900	8,900	52,510	52,510	67.0	35,182	5,963
1996	6,300	6,500	40,950	40,950	74.4	30,459	4,835
1997	8,500	7,000	66,300	59,500	47.1	28,020	3,296
1998	9,000	6,700	65,300	60,300	37.6	22,664	2,518
1999	9,500	7,300	71,350	69,350	69.6	48,291	5,083
2000	9,500	7,500	72,150	71,250	36.3	25,888	2,725
2001	9,500	7,900	76,050	75,050	50.3	37,784	3,977
2002	9,500	7,800	74,100	74,100	49.9	36,985	3,893
2003	9,200	7,300	67,700	67,200	54.4	36,554	3,973
2004	9,000	6,700	60,300	60,300	77.3	46,635	5,182

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Crop/ Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value Per Bearing Acre
		Yield Per Acre ¹	Total	Utilized			
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>Cents/Lb.</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
STRAWBERRIES							
1995	1,300	8,000	-	10,400	52.2	5,426	4,174
1996	1,300	8,100	-	10,500	62.9	6,605	5,081
1997	1,400	6,500	-	9,100	49.7	4,520	3,229
1998	1,500	8,000	-	12,000	50.3	6,040	4,027
1999	1,500	8,000	-	12,000	61.4	7,368	4,912
2000	1,500	8,600	-	12,900	52.5	6,776	4,517
2001	1,600	10,000	-	16,000	43.4	6,944	4,340
2002	1,800	9,000	-	16,200	51.0	8,262	4,590
2003	1,800	9,000	-	16,200	52.1	8,436	4,687
2004	1,900	8,000	-	15,200	47.8	7,270	3,826
OTHER BERRIES ²							
1995	210	-	-	1,407	-	676	3,219
1996	215	-	-	1,290	-	748	3,479
1997	265	-	-	1,219	-	683	2,577
1998	300	-	-	1,440	-	936	3,120
1999	310	-	-	1,550	-	1,023	3,300
2000	270	-	-	1,890	-	1,032	3,822
2001	320	-	-	2,560	-	1,280	4,000
2002	510	-	-	3,264	-	1,632	3,200
2003	600	-	-	4,020	-	2,412	4,020
2004	600	-	-	5,434	-	2,289	3,815
TOTAL BERRIES							
1995	10,310		-	88,317		53,159	5,156
1996	10,615		-	78,930		54,431	5,128
1997	12,965		-	95,029		50,183	3,871
1998	13,900		-	101,040		40,405	2,907
1999	14,510		-	108,480		66,252	4,566
2000	14,470		-	114,950		46,739	3,230
2001	15,020		-	122,210		61,534	4,097
2002	15,610		-	123,214		62,378	3,996
2003	15,500		-	119,620		66,161	4,268
2004	15,600		-	115,934		78,762	5,049

¹ Yield are based on utilized production except cranberries.

² "Other Berries" includes blackberries, black raspberries, boysenberries, loganberries and currants.